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MATTERS RELATED TO THE KYOTO PROTOCOL

MATTERS RELATED TO DECISION 1/CP.3, PARAGRAPH 6: PREPARATIONS FOR THE FIRST SESSION OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES SERVING AS THE MEETING OF THE PARTIES TO THE PROTOCOL

Note by the Chairmen of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice and the Subsidiary Body for Implementation

1. At their eighth sessions, the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) and the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) decided to defer consideration of issues arising from decision 1/CP.3, paragraph 6, until their ninth sessions. The SBSTA and the SBI further invited the Chairmen of those bodies, if they considered it would be useful, to formulate points which might provide a basis for deliberations at their ninth sessions (see FCCC/SBSTA/1998/6, para. 20 and FCCC/SBI/1998/6, para. 19).

2. The Chairmen of the SBSTA and the SBI have prepared the proposed draft decision annexed to the present note in response to the above-mentioned mandate.

3. The draft decision puts forward a proposal for the allocation of work to the subsidiary bodies on the issues covered by decision 1/CP.3, paragraph 6, that is, those tasks identified by the Kyoto Protocol for action at the first Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol (COP/MOP). It is based on a previous proposal by the Chairmen on this matter, contained in document FCCC/SB/1998/1, which was presented to the subsidiary bodies at their eighth sessions.

4. The draft decision also proposes an initial programme of work to facilitate early consideration of the tasks identified for action by COP/MOP 1. The proposal aims to ensure that such work is carried out in the most efficient manner, avoiding duplication and overlap with the existing work programmes of the subsidiary bodies. The draft decision also provides for a review of the initial programme of work by the Conference of the Parties at its sixth session.

5. Parties will note that, in the case of tasks where the allocation and programme of work for COP/MOP 1 is also to be considered by the Conference under a separate agenda item, the outcome of deliberations on these items would be fed into the draft decision at the appropriate time during the session.

6. The Conference of the Parties is invited to consider the draft decision proposed by the Chairmen, contained in the annex which follows, with a view to adopting it at its fourth session.

Annex

DRAFT DECISION PROPOSED BY THE CHAIRMEN

Draft decision --/CP.4

Matters related to decision 1/CP.3, paragraph 6: preparations for the first session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling its decision 1/CP.3 on the adoption of the Kyoto Protocol, in particular its paragraph 6 of that decision on the allocation of preparatory work for the first session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol,

Further recalling the mandates of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice and the Subsidiary Body for Implementation, as contained in Articles 9 and 10 of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and Article 15 of the Kyoto Protocol, and as elaborated by its decisions 6/CP.1 and 13/CP.3,

Having considered the proposal by the Chairmen of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice and the Subsidiary Body for Implementation on the allocation to those bodies of preparatory work for the first session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol,[1]

Recognizing the need to maximize efficiency in the work of the subsidiary bodies and avoid duplication and overlap,

1. *Decides*:

(a) That the preparatory work for the first session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol shall be allocated to the respective subsidiary bodies as shown in annex I to this decision;

(b) That this preparatory work shall be carried out according to the initial programme of work set out in annex II to this decision;

(c) To review the initial programme of work set out in annex II to this decision at its sixth session.

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[1] FCCC/CP/1998/3.

Annex I
[to the draft decision proposed by the Chairmen]

ALLOCATION TO THE SUBSIDIARY BODIES OF PREPARATORY WORK FOR THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES SERVING AS THE MEETING OF THE PARTIES TO THE KYOTO PROTOCOL AT ITS FIRST SESSION

Task	Allocation
Tasks assigned to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol at its first session	
Actions relating to Article 3.14[2]	*To be completed following the outcome of deliberations under provisional agenda item 4(e) (on the implementation of Article 4.8 and 4.9 of the Convention - decision 3/CP.3)*
Guidelines for national systems under Article 5.1 and methodologies for the application of adjustments under Article 5.2, including comparable methodologies relating to the preparation of national inventories under Article 10(a)	SBSTA
Guidelines for the preparation of information under Article 7	SBSTA and SBI
Guidelines for the review of implementation by expert review teams under Article 8	SBI
Modalities and procedures relating to the clean development mechanism under Article 12	*To be completed following the outcome of deliberations under provisional agenda item 5(a)(iii) (Article 12 of the Kyoto Protocol - clean development mechanism)*
Procedures and mechanisms relating to non-compliance under Article 18	SBI

[2] Unless otherwise stated, references to articles and paragraphs in this annex are to the Kyoto Protocol.

Tasks assigned to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol at its first session or as soon as practicable thereafter	
Ways to facilitate cooperation on policies and measures under Article 2.1(b)	SBI, with input from the SBSTA, as necessary, on technical and methodological issues
Modalities, rules and guidelines relating to land-use change and forestry under Article 3.4	SBSTA
Further elaboration of guidelines for the implementation of Article 6	*To be completed following the outcome of deliberations under provisional agenda item 5(a)(ii) (Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol).*
Tasks to be accomplished by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol as soon as practicable	
Consideration of the application to the Protocol of the multilateral consultative process referred to in Article 13 of the Convention	*To be completed following the outcome of deliberations under provisional agenda item 3(c) (on the report of the Ad Hoc Group on Article 13)*

Annex II
[to the draft decision proposed by the Chairmen]

INITIAL PROGRAMME OF PREPARATORY WORK FOR THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES SERVING AS THE MEETING OF THE PARTIES TO THE KYOTO PROTOCOL AT ITS FIRST SESSION

Task	Initial programme of work
Tasks assigned to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol at its first session	
Actions relating to Article 3.14[3]	*To be completed following the outcome of deliberations under provisional agenda item 4(e) (on the implementation of Article 4.8 and 4.9 of the Convention - decision 3/CP.3)*
Guidelines for national systems under Article 5.1 and methodologies for the application of adjustments under Article 5.2, including comparable methodologies relating to the preparation of national inventories under Article 10(a)	Integration with the ongoing work of the SBSTA on methodological issues (FCCC/SBSTA/1998/6, paragraph 40(b))
Guidelines for the preparation of information under Article 7	Integration with the ongoing work of the SBSTA and the SBI on guidelines for the preparation of communications from Annex I Parties under the Convention (FCCC/SBSTA/1998/6, paragraph 30(a))
Guidelines for the review of implementation by expert review teams under Article 8	Integration with the ongoing work of the SBI on the process for the consideration of communications from Annex I Parties under the Convention
Modalities and procedures relating to the clean development mechanism under Article 12	*To be completed following the outcome of deliberations under provisional agenda item 5(a)(iii) (Article 12 of the Kyoto Protocol - clean development mechanism)*

[3] Unless otherwise stated, references to articles and paragraphs in this annex are to the Kyoto Protocol.

Procedures and mechanisms relating to non-compliance under Article 18	Invitation to Parties to submit views on matters relating to Article 18 by 15 February 1999, to be made available to the SBI at its tenth session in a miscellaneous document Invitation to the secretariat to prepare a document for the SBI at its tenth session identifying key issues and options relating to procedures and mechanisms to determine and to address cases of non-compliance under Article 18, based on the views submitted by Parties Placed for initial consideration as an item on the SBI provisional agenda for its tenth session
Tasks assigned to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol at its first session or as soon as practicable thereafter	
Ways to facilitate cooperation on policies and measures under Article 2.1(b)	Placed for initial consideration on the SBI provisional agenda for its tenth session
Modalities, rules and guidelines relating to land-use change and forestry and agricultural soils under Article 3.4	Integration with the programme of work of the SBSTA, as agreed by the SBSTA at its eighth session, pursuant to decision 1/CP.3, para. 5(a)
Further elaboration of guidelines for the implementation of Article 6	*To be completed following the outcome of deliberations under provisional agenda item 5(a)(ii) (Article 6 projects)*
Tasks to be accomplished by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol as soon as practicable	
Consideration of the application to the Protocol of the multilateral consultative process referred to in Article 13 of the Convention	*To be completed following the outcome of deliberations under provisional agenda item 3(c) (report of the Ad Hoc Group on Article 13)*

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